



Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment, comprising:

~~performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result;
transferring search data associated with the search to a second application;
and
providing, in the second application, a second search result based on the search data.~~

performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result based on a particular set of search terms, wherein the first application is being used by a first participant in an instant messaging conversation that also includes a second participant;

transferring search data associated with the search over a network to a second application that is being used by a second participant in the instant messaging conversation; and

without requiring the second participant to specify the particular set of search terms, providing, in the second application, a second search result based on the search data, wherein the second result reflects a search that was performed based said particular set of search terms.

2. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the first application is a first instant messaging application.
3. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the second application is a second instant messaging application.
4. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search data includes the first search result.
5. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search data includes a compressed representation of the first search result.

6. (currently amended) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed using a search term and the search data includes the search term data includes the particular set of search terms.

7. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search performed in the first application is a first search, and providing the second search result includes performing a second search using the search data.

8. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein:

the search performed in the first application is a first search;

providing the second search result includes performing a second search using the search data; and

the first search result is approximately the same as the second search result.

9. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result includes sending a search request to a server.

10. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising displaying the first search result, wherein an item in the first search result is shown as a hyperlink.

11. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising:

displaying the first search result;

selecting an item in the first search result and

placing the item in a shopping cart.

12. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising displaying a notification on the second application.
13. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of shopping.
14. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of auction.
15. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of news.
16. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the search is performed within a search context of stocks.
17. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the messaging environment is an instant messaging environment.
18. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the first application runs on a mobile device.
19. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, wherein the second application runs on a mobile device.
20. (original) A method for sharing data in a messaging environment as recited in Claim 1, further comprising displaying a web page associated with the search in the first application and displaying the web page in the second application.
21. (currently amended) A system for sharing data, comprising:
 - a processor configured to:
 - ~~perform a search in a first application to obtain a first search result;~~
 - ~~transferring search data associated with the search to a second~~
 - application;
 - perform a search in a first application, based on a particular set of search terms,
 - to obtain a first search result;
 - transfer search data associated with the search to a second application to allow
 - the second application to produce search results based on the particular set of search
 - terms without requiring a user of the second application to specify the particular set of
 - search terms;

wherein the second application is configured to provide a search result based on the search data; and

a memory coupled to the processor, configured to provide the processor with instructions.

22. (currently amended) A computer program product for sharing data, the computer program product being embodied in a computer readable medium and comprising computer instructions for:

~~performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result;~~

~~transferring search data associated with the search to a second application;~~

performing a search in a first application to obtain a first search result based on a particular set of search terms;

transferring search data associated with the search to a second application to allow the second application to produce search results based on the particular set of search terms without requiring a user of the second application to specify the particular set of search terms;

providing, in the second application, a second search result based on the search data.

23. (new) The method of Claim 1 wherein:

the method further comprises receiving user input that specifies a subset of the first search result; and

the only part of the first search result that is included in the second search result is the first subset of the first search result.